## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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JEFFREY MORRIS, TARAS KICK, REBECCA SALAWDEH and STACEY ANTALEK, On Behalf of Themselves and All Other Persons Similarly Situated,

08-CV-0592 (HB)

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**NOTICE OF RELATED CASES** 

Plaintiffs,

-against-

CBS BROADCASTING, INC., CBS CONSUMER PRODUCTS, PLANET TOYS, INC., TOYS "R" US, INC., WALGREEN CO. and HAMMACHER SCHLEMMER & CO., INC.,

Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the following cases that were filed in California are related to the

## instant case:

- 1. a. Asbestos Disease Awareness Organization, et al. v. CBS Corporation, et al.
  - b. Case Number BC388918
  - c. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
  - d. Department 32, Judge Strobel
  - e. Toxic enforcement regulatory claim under California Proposition 65
  - f. Filed 04/11/08
  - g. This matter is currently pending
- 2. a. Kick, et al. v. Planet Toys, Inc., CBS Broadcasting, Inc., et al.
  - b. Case Number CV08-02405
  - c. U.S. District Court, Central District of California
  - d. Judge Otero
  - e. Nationwide class action
  - f. Filed 04/11/08

## g. This matter has been dismissed without prejudice

The above cases are related to the instant case in that they all involve the same parties and are based on the same or similar claims. They also arise from the same or substantially identical transactions, incidents, and events requiring the determination of substantially identical questions of law and fact. As explained in attachment 1h to the Notice of Related Case filed in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles (attached hereto as Exhibit A), and reiterated below, these intrinsic similarities mean that the above cases are likely to require substantial duplication of judicial resources if not coordinated with the instant case.

Plaintiffs' counsel in the California state case also filed the California federal case listed in this notice. They have since dismissed the California federal case without prejudice, and the Coughlin Stoia firm joined the instant case to pursue the claims they had brought in the California federal case. The same attorneys and Plaintiffs that were pursuing the California federal case (along with the attorneys continuing to pursue the California state case) are now involved in this New York federal nationwide (putative) class action. Moreover, both the pending California state case and the instant case also name Planet Toys, Inc., CBS Broadcasting, Inc., Walgreen Co. and Toys R Us as defendants. Significantly, all of these cases are based on the same common set of facts: the allegation that Planet Toys Inc.'s CSI Investigation™ Kits contain asbestos. Notably, there is no claim of injury; rather, all plaintiffs seek injunctive relief and restitution.

All of these cases qualify as complex because they involve numerous parties, involve the same defendants, and the cases are either alleged as a federal nationwide class action or as a representative Proposition 65 action on behalf of the People of the State of California. In addition, there will be substantial duplication of effort between the California state case and the instant case, because all of the discovery will focus on the same issues, including the existence of or exposure to asbestos in the products, expert analysis and proper scientific protocol, the defendants' knowledge, if any, the defendants' prior testing and action once apprised of the allegation, issues of standing as to the plaintiffs and representatives, and because the cases involve the same witnesses and experts.

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## EXHIBIT A

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BRANCH NAME:	in A. Clarke, Executive Officer/Clerk
PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: ASBESTOS DISEASE AWARENESS	CASE NUMBER ACTICKSON
ORGANIZATION, et al.	BC388918
DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: CBS CORPORATION, et al.	JADICIAL OFFICER:
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· Identify, in chronological order according to date of filing, all cases related to the case refer	enced above.
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b. Case number: 08-CV0592	
c. Court: same as above	•
X other state or federal court (name and address): U.S. District	Court. Southern
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d. Department: Judge Baer	
e. Case type: Ilmited civil X unilmited civil probate famil	y law X other (specify):
Nationwide class action	
f. Filing date: 01/23/08	
g. Has this case been designated or determined as "complex?" Yes	No see attachment 1h
h. Relationship of this case to the case referenced above (check all that apply):	
involves the same parties and is based on the same or similar claims.	
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the same or substantially identical questions of law or fact.	
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is likely for other reasons to require substantial duplication of judicial resource	es if heard by different judges
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District California	
d. Department Judge Otero	
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PLAINTIFF/PETITIONER: ASBESTOS DISEASE AWARENESS	CASE NUMBER:
ORGANIZATION, et al.  DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: CBS CORPORATION, et al.	BC388918
2. (continued)	
e. Case type: limited civil unlimited civil probate 1	family law <b>X</b> other (specify): Nation-wide class action
f. Filing date: 04/11/08	
g. Has this case been designated or determined as "complex?" Yes	No See attachment 1h
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Date: June $2\frac{2}{4}$ , 2008	1-11/1/
RENEE D. WASSERMAN (TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY)	(SIGNATURE OF PARTY OR ATTORNEY)

SHORT TITLE: ADAO v. CBS CORPORATION, et al.	CASE NUMBER:
	BC388918

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(If the item that this Attachment concerns is made under penalty of perjury, all statements in this Attachment are made under penalty of perjury.)

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